SENATE BILL No. 341

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: IC 9-21-8-35.

Synopsis: Right-of-way for stationary emergency vehicles. Specifies that the driver of a vehicle approaching a stationary emergency vehicle, recovery vehicle, or highway maintenance vehicle shall do one of the following: (1) Proceed with caution and yield the right-of-way by making a lane change. (2) If the driver believes changing lanes would be impossible or unsafe, proceed with caution in the same lane and reduce speed.

Effective: July 1, 2004.

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PRINTING CODE. Amendments: Whenever an existing statute (or a section of the Indiana Constitution) is being amended, the text of the existing provision will appear in this style type, additions will appear in this style type, and deletions will appear in this style type.

Additions: Whenever a new statutory provision is being enacted (or a new constitutional provision adopted), the text of the new provision will appear in **this style type**. Also, the word **NEW** will appear in that style type in the introductory clause of each SECTION that adds a new provision to the Indiana Code or the Indiana Constitution.

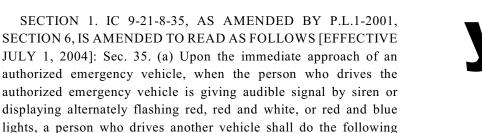
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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning motor vehicles.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:



(1) Yield the right-of-way.

unless otherwise directed by a law enforcement officer:

- (2) Immediately drive to a position parallel to and as close as possible to the right-hand edge or curb of the highway clear of any intersection.
- (3) Stop and remain in the position until the authorized emergency vehicle has passed.
- (b) Upon approaching a stationary authorized emergency vehicle, when the authorized emergency vehicle is giving a signal by displaying alternately flashing red, red and white, or red and blue lights, a person

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1	who drives an approaching vehicle shall do one (1) of the following:	
2	(1) proceeding Proceed with due caution and yield the	
3	right-of-way by making a lane change into a lane not adjacent to	
4	that of the authorized emergency vehicle, if possible with due	
5	regard to safety and traffic conditions, if on a highway having at	
6	least four (4) lanes with not less than two (2) lanes proceeding in	
7	the same direction as the approaching vehicle. or	
8	(2) proceeding If the person believes changing lanes would be	
9	impossible or unsafe as described in subdivision (1), proceed	
10	with due caution in the same lane and reduce the speed of the	
11	vehicle, maintaining a safe speed for road conditions. if changing	
12	lanes would be impossible or unsafe.	
13	(c) Upon approaching a stationary recovery vehicle or a stationary	
14	highway maintenance vehicle, when the vehicle is giving a signal by	
15	displaying alternately flashing amber lights, a person who drives an	
16	approaching vehicle shall do one (1) of the following:	1
17	(1) proceeding Proceed with due caution and yield the	
18	right-of-way by making a lane change into a lane not adjacent to	
19	that of the recovery vehicle or highway maintenance vehicle, if	
20	possible with due regard to safety and traffic conditions, if on a	
21	highway having at least four (4) lanes with not less than two (2)	
22	lanes proceeding in the same direction as the approaching vehicle.	
23	or	
24	(2) proceeding If the person believes changing lanes would be	•
25	impossible or unsafe as described in subdivision (1), proceed	
26	with due caution in the same lane and reduce the speed of the	_
27	vehicle, maintaining a safe speed for road conditions. if changing	1
28	lanes would be impossible or unsafe.	
29	(d) This section does not operate to relieve the person who drives an	1
30	authorized emergency vehicle, a recovery vehicle, or a highway	
31	maintenance vehicle from the duty to operate the vehicle with due	
32	regard for the safety of all persons using the highway.	

